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	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**Fee Description**

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Multiple dependent claims

Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
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50	25
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200	100
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360	180
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Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
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Multiple Dependent Claims

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

The first Office Action issued on January 3, 2007. A response is due April 3, 2007.

Amendments to the CLAIMS:

Please amend the following claims:

In Claim 7, line 3 replace "or" with and.

In Claim 16, line 1, delete "additive" and in line 3 replace "or" with and.

Cancel claims 5, 14 and 15.

Please add independent claims 21, 22 and 23. The listing of claims which follows will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application: